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Rapid River News!



Mskomini-Giizis (Raspberry Moon)
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From LRBOI.

(The following information comes from a weekly update supplied to the Ogema concerning the tribal government, local communities and issues that affect overall tribal business.)

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Budget Hearing for 2011

The budget hearing for the membership has been scheduled for August 14th from 10am until noon at the Aki Maadiziwin community center.



Pokagon Band Water Walk date announced
See the flyer below for more information on this year's Water Walk.

Click here for LRBOI Job Postings

<http://www.lrboi.com/hr/index.html>

Click here for LRCR Employment

<http://www.lrcr.com/employment.html>

Fall Membership Meeting. The Fall Members Meeting has been scheduled for October 9th at Little River. Be sure to put this on your calendar!

Elders Survey!

The Tribe is conducting an Elder Survey. Elders interested in participating in this survey are asked to contact the Members Assistance Department. For participating in this survey the Elder will receive a gift of appreciation and a certificate of participation.

Michigan Indian Family Olympics coming up July 30th. Check out the flyer below.

Warriors Society Updates

Warriors Society next meeting is August 7th at the Aki Maadiziwin Community Center



They wish to acknowledge tribal descendents currently serving in a combat zone as well as tribal citizens from LRBOI. Please contact the Warrior Society with your information.



A new ordinance is being reviewed right now for the group and it should be available within the next two months.

Open Board of Director Meeting at LRCR:

AUGUST 27, 2010

The summer youth camp will be Aug. 2-13, 2010. Watch the Rapid River News and Currents for more details



Wii Bowling League

The CHRs from Tribal Health are holding *Wii* bowling for the Elders at the Community Center on Tuesday afternoons at 1 p.m. The fun game is really taking off and they hope to add more days as more and more people sign up. For more information, contact your CHR or Tribal Health

COMMENT OPEN ON ABCA FOR EAST LAKE BROWNFIELD

The analysis of Brownfield Cleanup Alternatives for the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians East Lake site, located at 159 Brickyard Road, Eastlake, Michigan is available for the community to provide comment. This document outlines the contamination problems at the site, and describes the feasibility of alternatives that exist to satisfy the Tribes due care obligations. The report can be reviewed at the LRBOI Natural Resources Department, 159 Brickyard Road, East Lake, Michigan during regular office hours. The 30-day public comment period, in which either written or oral comments will be accepted, commences on July 6, 2010 and closes on August 6, 2010. If you have questions or need more information please contact Rochelle Rollenhagen, Brownfield Coordinator at 321-398-2182.

Elders Meeting:

First

Saturday of every month



New Language Site

There's a new website, "SpokenFirst" that brings news concerning the teaching of Native American languages.

<http://falmouthinstitute.com/language/> . Check it out!

Paid Internships Available

A limited number of paid internships are available through the Commerce Department's Workforce Development Program for FY 2010. If you are a LRBOI Tribal Preference Student (Citizen or Descendant) at least 18 years old with a 2.75 Cumulative Grade Point Average and enrolled in a degreed program at an accredited College or University, you may qualify for a paid internship. The Workforce Development Program offers the intern 240 paid hours at \$10.00 per hour. Interns are placed based on their interest and educational field of study at LRBOI government, enterprises and business entities. Tribal Citizens who are Class of 2010 High School Graduates at least 18 years old and enrolled in an accredited College or University in 2010 may also qualify for a paid internship. Those interested should contact the Workforce Development Program toll-free at 1-888-723-8288, extension 6842, direct line 231-398-6842, or e-mail dhawley@lrboi.com for additional internship program details and application materials.

(Kateri Circle)

"It does not require many words to speak the truth."

--Chief Joseph, NEZ PERCE

The truth shall set you free. This is the truth. When we speak the Truth, we do not need to be defensive. Truth needs no defense. When we speak the Truth, we do not need to attack because Truth cannot be attacked. It is so easy to want to manipulate or to be deceitful or dishonest. My head tells me I can get away with doing these things, after all everybody does it.

My Creator

Come Join the Diabetes Talking Circle

- Learn:
- Myths about diabetes
- Diabetes prevention
- Diabetes risk factors
- Types of diabetes
- Eating healthy, dietary guidelines
- Reading food labels and shopping for healthy foods
- Healthy food preparation
- Traditional foods
- Routine medical care

This group can help support your desire to change your eating habits/diet, support a family member with diabetes, and assist you in making changes to be healthier. Tuesday 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m. at the Tribal Health Clinic or Wednesday 1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m. Aki Community Center. Classes run for 12 weeks. For more information or to sign up for a class contact Holly Davis RN, MSN Diabetes Educator/Community Health Nurse 231-398-6610 or Teresa Johnson Community Health Representative at 231-398-6629.

Muskegon Four Season's Kateri Circle Gathering for 2010

Dates and Times for coming events

Patti Wlodkowski 755-4865

* Summer Gathering August 8, 10:30-3pm Krause Park,
Muskegon

* Halloween Gathering Oct. 17, 11 am – 4 pm costume party

* Ghost Supper, Geba-geshick Nov. 7 11 am – 4 pm

* Christmas Gathering Dec. 19, 11 am – 4 pm

Times for the Gatherings held at ST. Thomas Hall 3252 Apple
Ave. Muskegon, MI

* The Time for the Summer Gathering will be 10:30 am to 3 pm
which will be held at Krause Park {End of Sherman blvd.}

* For all gatherings it is requested that those attending the POTLUCK
bring a dish to pass We try to eat at noon for all gatherings

* For Halloween and Christmas gatherings we would like donations
of candy so we can make up goodies bags for the children, with the
extra going to everyone

Any person who wishes to sell their handmade items at our
gatherings is welcome to do so , but you are responsible for your
own items.....



URGENT NOTICE

There are changes happening with the Michigan Indian Tuition
Waiver. Since 1996 the Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver (MITW)
has been processed by the Inter Tribal Council of Michigan, Inc.
As of July 2010, the MITW is now being handled by the Michigan
Department of Civil Rights. We received the new applications on
July 16th. The applications are now available for you to print from
the tribal website

(<https://www.lrboi-nsn.gov/education/docs/MITW%20Application.pdf>)

If your MITW verification was completed prior to 2008, you **must**
submit a new application to the Michigan Department of Civil Rights.
Print off a new application, make a photocopy of your Michigan
Driver's License or state issued ID, and a copy of your Tribal ID
card, fill out the application and send them to the Tribal Education
Department at 375 River Street, Manistee, MI 49660.

If you have never used the MITW and this is your first time applying,
(or if you've just recently applied for the summer or fall semester),
you **must** complete the new application. There are people who are
in the process of applying and have submitted the older Inter Tribal
Council application. These applications will not be processed. You
will need to submit a new application. The Education Department
will be notifying those students for whom we have unprocessed
applications.

If you have been recently certified for the MITW- since 2008- then
you will be allowed to submit a copy of your old application along
with a photocopy of your driver's license/state ID, photocopy of
your tribal ID, and certification of membership from the Enrollment
Department. In truth, it may be just as easy for you to fill out the
new application as well.

Please do not delay in applying, or reapplying as the case may
be, because the fall semester is nearly upon us and this change is
applying to every tribe in the state. It should not be a long wait,
but it will be best to get it done as quickly as you can. If you have
questions, please contact the LRBOI Education Department.

Commissions/Committees:

The following commissions have current openings.

Gaming Commission	2 openings
Health Commission	2 openings
Binojeeuk	2 openings
LRCR Board	2 openings

All other commission seats available have been filled.

HIS & HERS GOOD FELLOWSHIP AA GROUP

HIS & HERS GOOD FELLOWSHIP AA GROUP has
been moved to the Aki Community Center at 2953 Shaw
Be Quo-Ung, Manistee. That is at the corner of Dontz Rd.
and Shaw Be Quo-Ung (Aki Housing area). The group still
meets at 7 p.m. every Thursday evening.

MSU

Michigan State University is holding its **Pre-College
Leadership Program (PCLP) Retreat** for Native American
Youth July 25-30, 2010 at the MSU campus in East Lansing.
This camp is open for students in grades 8 through 12.
There is no cost for attendance, but students must have their
own transportation to and from MSU. (If LRBOI students
attend, transportation can be provided by LRBOI Education
Department from Manistee to MSU- but you'd have to get
to Manistee)

What is PCLP Summer Youth Retreat? It's a week-long
residential experience where Native American Youth can
explore both traditional culture and college life! Academic
workshops, cultural activities, and social events are all
facilitated and supervised by MSU **Native** faculty, staff and
current undergraduate students! The PCLP Youth Retreat
is the perfect place for Native young people to learn about
college!

It is designed for students who will be entering 8th to 12th
grades in the fall of 2010. Space is limited to the first 30
applicants.

Students will stay in a college residence hall, explore college
classes, explore career opportunities, improve understanding
of the college admissions process, improve understanding of
financial aid, develop relationships with other Native youth
from across the state, develop relationships with Native role
models from across the state, practice for the ACT, develop
leadership skills, enjoy social and cultural activities, and
have fun!

If you are interested you can contact Stephanie Chau, PCLP
Coordinator at (517) 353-1822 or chaus@msu.edu for more
information or applications. You can also stop in at the tribal
Education Department to pick up an application.

Elders Survey!

Identifying Our Needs: A Survey of Elders

The purpose of this project is to assist tribes, villages, and homesteads in creating a record of the health and social needs of their elders. This survey is a required submission for the Elder Meal Program grant application to help tribes with data needed for their Title VI nutrition and caregiving grants awarded from the Administration on Aging (AoA) and can also help with tribal planning, long-term care discussions, and grant-writing. The survey information also compares the Native American elders to the general U.S. population to determine the extent of existing social and health differences. A survey instrument was constructed using questions from nationally administered questionnaires so comparisons could be made with data from the nation. Data is collected on: general health status, activities of daily living, vision, hearing and dental care, screening, health care access, tobacco and alcohol usage, weight and nutrition, social support/housing, demographics and social functioning. The information is confidential and the survey instrument does not identify your name but will ask for your zip code for demographic data. Time to complete survey is about 30 minutes.

Departments assisting Elders with the Survey: Family Services, Clinic CHR's, Members Assistance Intake Clerks
There will be staff at the Muskegon Office available to Elders who would like to participate August 10th.

Language Camp at LRBOI.

The annual Language Camp was held this past weekend at the Gathering Grounds. Watch for details in the next *Currents*.

Work Search Computer!

The Commerce Department's Workforce Development Program has had a computer installed for job search and career-related activities at the Commerce Dept., 294 River Street. The computer may be used by any Tribal Citizen or Descendant and they must be signed up with the Workforce Development Program. The department also maintains a hard copy Job Postings Book at the workstation for all job postings through Tribal Government and LRCR, as well as other job resource information.

Encode your Card!

Encode your Card! The Enrollment Department and Tax Department have announced that you must have your Tribal ID card encoded so that you can continue to receive your discount at the Trading Post on motor fuel, tobacco and cigarette purchases. Please stop by the Enrollment Department (at the Old Community Center on US 31 in Manistee) and they will update your card for you. If you don't encode your card, you will not be able to receive the Tribal Member discount at the Gas Station!

TRIBAL COUNCIL

Open Houses.

The Tribal Council is planning to move forward with additional open houses, possibly one in Wisconsin or another location out of State, as well as a couple events on or near the Reservation in Manistee. Notices will be published in both the Little River Currents and Rapid River News of upcoming events.

Legislative Recess

The next scheduled Legislative Recess is August 30 through September 3.



Positive Indian Parenting Honoring Our Children by Honoring our Traditions



Who:

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Family Services Department

What:

Positive Indian Parenting Program

Where:

Muskegon Tribal Center 1101 W. Hackley Avenue Muskegon MI 49441

When:

Every Wednesday starting July 7 through August 25

5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

More information ?

Call Kathy Lagerquist, Co-Facilitator 231-398-6705

Shelly Kequam, Co-Facilitator 231-398-6707

Melissa Sharlow, Muskegon Office 231-398-6651



Niibin Youth Camp

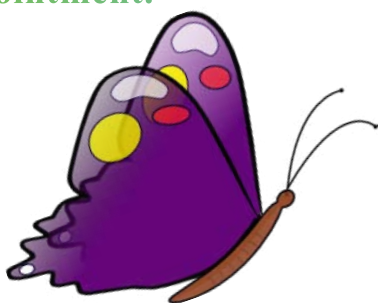
Who: Ages 8-16

When: Monday through Friday August 2-13, 2010 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Where: Little River Band of Ottawa Indians POW-WOW grounds

Activities: Many field trips to parks, museums, miniature golf, horse-back riding, water games and many surprises!!! Learn to eat healthy and have an active life. All new this year! Don't miss out.

For more information or to sign up, contact Holly Davis Diabetes Educator at 231-398-6610 or the Community Health Representative office at 231-298-6629. Admin Building hours of operation are Monday – Friday from 8 to 5. The office is closed for lunch from 12-1. Individuals in need of services during the lunch hour period may contact the departments to request an appointment.



For those interested in the Youth Jobs:

Ages: 12-17, members or descendants, male or female
Must fill out basic info. forms at Peacemaking Office.
Must have parent or guardian signed approval. (participation waivers)
Permission to ride in a vehicle.
Permission for emergency treatment in case of injury.

IMPORTANT:

We are beginning work on Monday morning. July 26th. We need to know who requires transportation as soon as possible so we can make arrangements. Work time hours will start upon arrival, and end upon departure from the site. Pay will be minimum wage, paid in a stipend, as a check made out to the youth themselves. Please inform us of any special needs, medical conditions, allergies etc. so we can make sure all our kids are safe. We will work Mon. through Thurs. Not on Fridays. We will meet at 7 a.m. at the Peacemaking Office for those who need rides. Those who want to meet at the Indian Village site can meet us at the site at 8 a.m. sharp. Most days will be approximately 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. with a ½ hr. lunch break, so the usual work day will be about 6 ½ hrs. Bring your own lunch. Bring your own water. Bring comfortable and safe work clothes. We have work gloves available for the workers. They will not operate any power tools or machinery. Work will be done with hand tools. We are being ecologically conscious so that we will leave the area cleaner than we found it each time we are there. We do

reserve the right to ask youth not to participate who are disruptive, violent, under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs, verbally abusive or if they are unwilling to work. This is manual labor and it is going to be hard work like raking, shoveling, gathering wood, making brush piles and things of this general nature. There will be some cultural tasks as well that will be explained by our crew leaders, such as building traditional styled lodges and participating in talking circle gatherings to reflect on what we have done and what we will need to do.

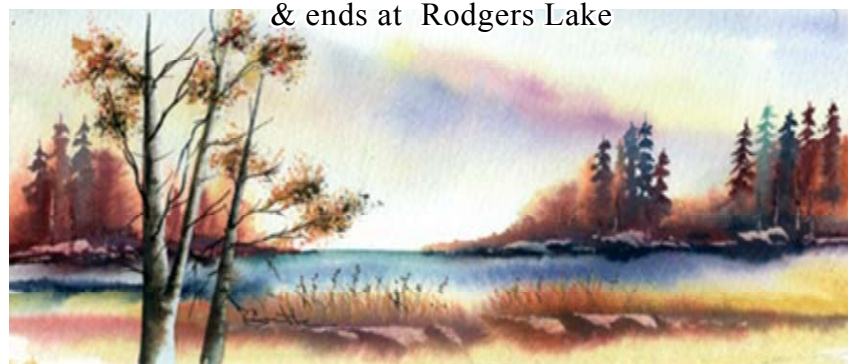
New Election Board Member!

Tribal citizen Tammy Bowen has been appointed by Ogema Romanelli to fill the vacant seat on the Tribal Election Board. Her appointment was accepted by Tribal Council at their regular meeting on July 21st. The election board is entering a busy period prior to the 2011 elections and Tammy's willingness to serve on the board is appreciated.

Vouchers for Newly Hired Tribal Citizens

LRBOI Tribal Citizens at least 18 years of age who are newly hired may qualify for a Career Assistance Voucher of \$200.00 and/or an Employment Daycare Assistance Voucher of \$250.00 through the LRBOI Workforce Development Program. If you are a new hire, please contact the Workforce Development Specialist within 30 days of hire at 231-398-6842, toll free at 1-888-723-8288 extension 6842, or by e-mail at dhawley@lrboi.com.

The Traditional Woman of the Pokagon Band Community are hosting the 3rd Annual Sunrise Ceremony & Women's Water Walk
Friday September 3, 2010 at 7am
Ceremony & Walk begins at our Gage St Property & ends at Rodgers Lake



64264 Gage St

Dowagiac, Mi 49047

This walk is held every year before the Kee-Boon-Mein-Kaa Powwow to honor the waters of the Pokagon Band homelands.

Everyone who wishes to support the women & their effort is welcome to join in on the walk.
For more information, contact Alycia at 231-578-4373



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From L.R.B.O.I.

This information is subject to change without prior notice. Updated: 7-7-10

If you are interested in a hearing, please call the Tribal Court office (231-398-3406) the day before to confirm the schedule.

CO - Cora Offense/Conservation

DM - Divorce with children

EB - Election Board Appeal

FSJ - Foreign Support Judgment

GM - Guardianship of Minor

JV - Juvenile

NC - Name Change

TA - Trust Access

CS - Child Support

DO - Divorce w/o children

EM - Emancipation of Minor

GA - Gaming Appeal

GR - Employment Matter

LT - Landlord Tenant

PF - Probate

TM - Tribal Misdemeanor

CT - Civil Ticket

EA - Enrollment Appeal

FJ - Foreign Judgment

GC - General Civil

JC - Judicial Complaint

NA - Neglect Abuse

PPO - Personal Protection Order

WC - Workmen's Compensation

Monday, July 26, 2010; Judge Bailey

9:00 a.m. 09256DO - Fisher v. Gault Final Divorce

10:00 a.m. 10132DM - Pauley v. Pauley Pretrial

10:00 a.m. 10150TM - LRBOI v. Shalifoe Pretrial

11:00 a.m. 10065DO - Prieto v. Prieto Annulment

1:30 p.m. 10155CO - LRBOI v. Stone Informal Hrg.

2:30 p.m. 10073DO - Leon v. Leon Pretrial/Final

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If you have any specific questions, ideas or comments regarding this information, please address them to:
The Office of Public Affairs, LRBOI, 375 River Street, Manistee, MI. 49660. 231-398-6840.

Or send them direct to currentcomments@lrboi.com.

Your comments will be forwarded to the right person at the tribal government within 24 hours.



Traditional Healer

J.D. Gibson

August 24, 2010

**Appointments available for
Indian Health Service (IHS)
eligible native
Americans**

Regarding scheduling of appointments

Please call Julie Wolfe, CPS-M

(231) 398-6740

Naagadoodaa Anishinaabe Bimaadiziwin Meeting

The Naagadoodaa Anishinaabe Bimaadizwin, group, would like invite Traditional Tribal Citizens to join us to discuss issues of cultural importance.

The Naagadoodaa Anishinaabe Bimaadiziwin group was created so the Traditional Practitioners of our Tribe could discuss concerns of a cultural matter.

The sole purpose for these meetings is to provide access to our cultural heritage, traditional and ceremonial lifeways, and the belief that our cultural heritage should be passed on, preserved and be an important part in our everyday lives.

Together we can bring back our cultural lifeways.

Time: 12:00

Date: Wednesday, August 4, 2010

Location: Justice Center, Peacemaking/ Probation Office

Please bring a dish to pass

Celebration of Life
For
BOB & MARYSTONE
Everyone is Welcome

AT
AKI MAADIZIWIN

Community
Center

On
July 31, 2010 , 1:00 pm

Bring a dish to pass

Also BRING Stories and good times
to share.

